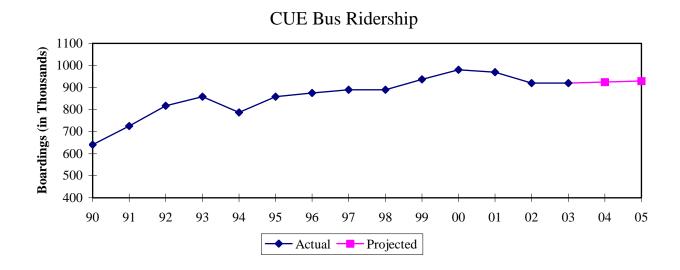
Transit Fund

he City/University/Energysaver (CUE) bus system provides an alternative transportation mode for City and area residents and George Mason University (GMU) students throughout the City and from GMU and Metro. The City has operated the CUE system since 1985 and provides 12 buses on a fixed route system traveling 513,000 vehicle miles during 43,000 hours of operation each year.

In recent years, system costs have increased more rapidly than revenues, resulting in increasing General Fund support. In FY03-04, the City increased the level of its transfer from funds in its account at the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission to try to stabilize the General Fund subsidy. In FY03-04, \$999,785 was budgeted to be transferred from the General Fund to the Transit Fund. In FY04-05, we are budgeting a General Fund transfer of \$1,173,073.

Last year, the City also renegotiated the amount of subsidy provided by GMU. Our goal is to continue to move the university payment closer to the actual cost of serving the university.



Revenues

- \$ 350,000 GMU, per contract
- \$1,075,000 NVTC, down \$21,403 from FY 03-04
- \$ 230,000 Farebox (reflecting lower FY 03-04 collections than budgeted)
 - 920,000 ridership in 2003
 - 925,000 ridership projected for 2004
 - 930,000 ridership projected for 2005

Expenses

- Operating costs slightly increase due to increased personnel and motor pool costs
- Capital Funds (\$80,000) for six luminator stop annunciator upgrades for six older buses to make system compatible for all 12 buses
- Future issue if service hours or service routes expanded

FY04-05 Transit Fund Revenues = \$1,891,800 FY04-05 Transit Fund Expenditures = \$3,064,873

Transit Fund Revenues, Expenditures,

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